

REMARKS

Applicants have reviewed the Application in light of the Final Office Action dated October 7, 2009. Claims 23-44 are pending in this Application. Claims 23-25, 27-30, 35 and 41-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and Claims 24-32, 34-40, and 44 stand objected to. Claims 25-32 and 34-40 have been amended. Claims 23, 24 and 41-44 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Claim Objections

Applicants have amended Claims 25-32 and 34-40 to overcome the Examiner's informality objections and correct inadvertent typographical errors. Applicants respectfully request the objections to Claims 25-32 and 34-40 be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that Claims 26, 31-34, and 36-40 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 26 has been amended to include the elements of base Claim 23 and intervening Claim 24. Claim 31 has been amended to include the elements of base Claim 23 and intervening Claims 24, 27 and 28. Claim 36 has been amended to include the elements of base Claim 23 and intervening Claims 24 and 30. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of independent Claims 26, 31, and 36 and their respective dependent Claims.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 23-25, 27-30, 32, 35, and 41-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicants' Admitted Prior Art (*APA*) in view of Great Britain Patent GB 2 350 984 by Winga Ho (*Ho*). Claims 23, 24 and 41-44 have been canceled, rendering the rejection to these claims moot. Given that Claims 25 and 27-30 depend from allowable Claim 26 and Claims 32 and 35 depend from allowable Claim 31, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 25 and 27-30, 32 and 35 are allowable. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections and allow Claims 25 and 27-30, 32 and 35.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

Applicants enclose a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the RCE filing fee of \$810.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

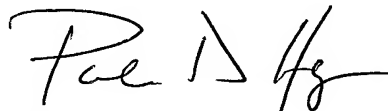
CONCLUSION

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's careful review of the application. Applicants have now made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for allowance in light of the amendments and remarks set forth above. For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and full allowance of Claims 25-40, as amended.

Applicants enclose a Three-Month Petition for Extension of Time, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension filing fee of \$1110.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P. Applicants believe there are no additional fees due at this time, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2555.

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